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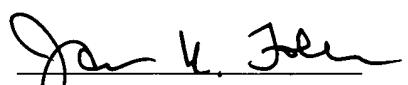


PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Inamura et al. )  
Serial No.: 10/718,202 )  
Conf. No.: 9823 )  
Filed: 11/20/2003 )  
For: MAGNETIC RECORDING )  
MEDIUM FOR )  
PERPENDICULAR )  
RECORDING AND MAGNETIC )  
STORAGE APPARATUS )  
USING THE SAME )  
Art Unit: 2627 )  
Examiner: Miller, Brian E. )

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Appr. February 20, 1998

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER**  
**TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed July 18, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-4. The filing fee for the Notice of Appeal of \$500.00 is paid by check attached hereto. A Petition for Extension of Time for three months, with a check for the fee of \$1,020.00 is also attached.

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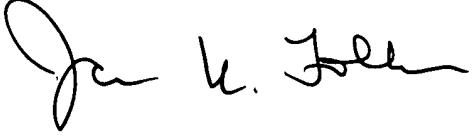
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Respectfully submitted,

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